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"A TASTE OF GREECE" - FESTIVAL 2003

San Francisco's only Greek Food Festival, *A Taste of Greece*, held September 19-21, is now a memory. It was a success in every way, in spite of the unexpectedly hot weather, a few of our key festival personnel getting sick, and one or two other glitches. It was successful precisely because *it brought people together*. People who worked together (at times, for 12-hour shifts!). People who enjoyed one another's company. It fostered fellowship. It brought our neighbors in, to see what we're all about, to celebrate with us, and *to taste our food...arguably the best Greek food anywhere!!!* (We're not just saying that; this was heard over and over again, both by our own parishioners and by visitors. And we tend to believe them. Kitchen people: your hard work paid off!). Last but not least, the Festival also raised some much-needed funds for the church. How much? **John Kallas** and **Mike Misthos** are still working on the figures. Paying bills, collecting tabs. You know. But, in round figures, the three days brought in about \$125,000. Add to that the Souvenir Book proceeds, raffle money, and pre-sales, as well as payments received after the festival. Minus the expenses...food, parking, security, rentals, etc. The preliminary bottom line is about \$10,000 less than last year. But then we didn't have the advertising expense this year. So, who knows? A report will be available for the October Parish Council meeting and the November 19 Parish Assembly.

Meanwhile, the organizers are meeting to consider the festival itself and to announce next year's

festival dates. In considering the festival, we need to ask, what is it that we expect of our festival, in terms of size and scope? What are its strengths and what are its limitations? How can it continue to be a meaningful source of income to the church, within the context of our location, parking situation, future building plans, and the like? You know, all the usual questions. Meanwhile, everyone who participated, by volunteering, by financially supporting it, by attending it, should be commended for a job beautifully done. Congratulations to all of you. And, no less to those who shouldered the biggest burden, our festival Co-chairs, **Tessie Obester** and **Jim Dariotes**.

Now, then, save the date: We will hold a *Volunteer Appreciation Dinner* on **Thursday, October 23rd** (Feast of St. Iakovos, Brother of the Lord). 6:00 cocktails, 7:00 Dinner. This invitation is extended to all volunteers who played a key part in making this year's festival a success, before, during and after the festival. A sincere thank you and words of appreciation are to be extended to all that helped. You know who you are. We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd.

GOD SPEED TO JIM DARIOTES

As most of us know by now, **Jim Dariotes** has accepted a position with the Ahepa Housing Management Corporation, located in Indianapolis, Indiana, effective October 1. Accordingly, he resigned his position as President of the Annunciation Cathedral

Parish Council, as District Governor for the Order of Ahepa, and as a member of the Metropolitan Council. His most recent undertaking was that of co-chair of this year's Festival, along with **Tessie Obester**. His family and friends at the Annunciation certainly will miss him. We thank him for his exemplary stewardship to our parish and wish him well in his new assignment. Who knows? God works in ways that are ultimately mysterious to us. Perhaps Jim's going to work for this management group, which is responsible for the many hundred homes for seniors built throughout the country, will one day result in similar housing in the Bay Area. Time will tell.

IOCC Celebration Welcoming Archbishop Demetrios

The IOCC Event, "Remembering Home," will take place this year, at the Annunciation Cathedral on Sunday, November 23rd. Elsewhere in this issue of the Herald is a full-page flyer, giving particulars relative to the event. Of note is that, this year, the speaker will be **His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios**, Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Church of America. Our own **Pat Aleck** chair for this event, which we expect to be a sell-out.

We would, therefore, encourage you to reserve early, and to avail yourselves of the opportunity to hear His Eminence and support the philanthropic work of the IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities).

VELLIS DAY APPRECIATION

September 7th, by all accounts, was a magnificent day. By honoring Effie and Andy Vellis, we really honored ourselves. The Sunday School of the Annunciation Cathedral *would like to thank* the following donors, including students, parents, and other members of the community, for the generous donations (over and above the price of the ticket) made at the Vellis appreciation luncheon. Final tabulations are being made and a donation to the Building Fund (estimated to be about \$5,000) will be forthcoming:

Patricia Aleck
Demetria Aleck
Anthony & Zetta Ambus
George Ambus
Toni Ambus
Mariam Arsinoos & son
Frank & Hariklia Boone
Mary Castro
Doris Chapralis
Phil & Annette Chiappari & family
Tony & Carol Costakis & family
Stephen Costakis
John & Vivian Curd & family
Mickey & Ethel Davies
Anastasia Dekaristos & family
Charlotte Derdevanis
Pat Destein & son
Anna Dricos
Dr. Anthony Elite & family
James Fotenos
Joanne & Con Glafkides
Yota Gofas
Stavroula Hamberis & family
John Ivantcho
Joseph & Katherine Johns
John & Kristine Kallas & family
Demetrius & Paula Kitses & family
Despina Kokalis
Mr. & Mis. Nick Kontonis
Paula & Irene Kosaris & family
Presvytera Aliko Kyriacou
Frnacis Marinos
George & Cleo Mattis & family
Christina & Michael Mithos & family
Mary Mitchell & son
Helen Morales
Vassiliki & Nick Moulas & family
Helen Nicklas & son
Tom & Liberty Nuris & family
Manuel & Teia Nuris
Tessie Obester & family
Al & Lula Ossipoff & daughters
Demetra Panomitros
Clara Paolinelli
Louis S. Paponis
Sakee & Irene Poulakidas & family
Florence Prescott
Nick Rally
George Rangaves
Demetrios Rangaves
Constantine & Loys Rodatos
Anna Serezlis

Anthony & Helen Sooklaris & family
Angeliki Stamos
Marios & Anastasia Stathopoulos & son
Chrisoula Stratoudakis
Eleni Stratoudakis
Nicholas Svetcoff
Effie Tamaras
Mary & Basil Tonas & family
Athena Tsougarakis
Aris Vellis
Gus & Meena Vellis & family
Andrew & Effie Vellis
Jim & Louise Vorrises & family
Michael & Cecilia Vriheas
Denise & Bren Yeilding & family

2003 CHRISTMAS CARD

Last year, you will recall, we issued a wonderful Christmas card, thanks to a team of volunteers who were on hand for several Sundays prior to Christmas to jot your name down. We are asking for a team of volunteers again this year, to assist with this effort. If you are so inclined, please contact **Father Stephen**, at 415 864-8000. The way we go about it this year may be a little different. (This will all be clarified at the Parish Council meeting on October 15.).

However, we will still come up with a community Christmas card, which we hope will include all our parishioners' names and which will be sent to parishioners and friends of the Cathedral early in December.

RECENT SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL

BAPTISM

Irene, daughter of Dimitrios Katakis and Stella Pappis, was baptized on August 31. Her Godmother is Eftihia Manzourani.

Na Mas Zisi!

MARRIAGE

The marriage of Mark George Vilcheck and Deanna Marie Rozgay was blessed on September 6. Their sponsor is Athanasios Agapiades.

Na Mas Zisoun!

FUNERALS

Kolia Riste, who fell asleep in the Lord on September 3, was buried September 8. Next of kin is his wife, Helen Riste.

Stevenson Nicholas Demetrak, who fell asleep in the Lord on September 9, was buried September 12. Next of kin are his wife, Esther Stella Karabats, son and daughter, and grandchildren.

Aionia afton i mnimi!

May their memory be eternal!

PARISH ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 19

As reported in the June-July issue of the Herald, the second Parish Assembly for 2003 will be held on Wednesday, November 19. In addition to various financial reports, the Assembly will hear the report of the Nominating Committee, consisting of Anne Mountainos, Pat Destein, Helen Markanton, Maria Georgiou and Annette Chiappari, which will present a slate of candidates for Parish Council for 2004-2005. Parishioners will have the opportunity to vote for eight members, for a two-year term.

The Board of Elections, which will prepare the ballots and oversee the elections, to be held December 14, is comprised of Andrew Vellis, Ted Leventis, and Philip Chiappari.

ORTHODOX SPIRITUALITY RETREAT

This retreat will be held at the St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center, October 31-November 2. It is open to all, women and men, young and old. Principles, Problems and Readings in spiritual direction -- will be the subject of the retreat, which will be directed by the Reverend Dr. John Chrysavgis.

Deacon Chrysavgis studied theology in Athens and at Oxford. He has served as professor of theology at St. Andrew's Theological College in Sydney and at Holy Cross School of Theology in Boston. His most recent publications include *Soul Mending: The Art of Spiritual Direction* (Holy Cross Press, 2000), *In the Heart of the Desert: The Spirituality of the Desert Fathers and Mothers* (World Wisdom Books, 2002), and *Letters from the Desert: A Selection from Barsanuphius and John* (St. Vladimir's Press, 2003).

The cost of \$130 per person, \$220 per couple, includes meals. For reservations and additional information, please call the Ranch, at (559) 338-2103 or **Fofa Olson**, Retreat Coordinator, at (925) 687-8337.

ICONOGRAPHY IN WORD AND IN PAINTING: A SINGULAR EVENT

Hosted by **Metropolitan Anthony** of San Francisco and the Metropolitan Philoptochos Society, you are cordially invited to an evening program honoring **Jaroslav Pelikan**, Sterling Professor Emeritus of History and Theological Scholar at Yale University at a National Lecture Series. The event will be held at the Annunciation Cathedral Saturday, October 18, 4 to 7 p.m. The evening's program consists of a champagne reception, with wine tasting and heavy hors d'oeuvres, an exhibition on Byzantine Iconography, specifically, the unveiling of the new icons of **Michalis Vasilakis**, and a lecture by **Speros Vryonis, Jr.** on the Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople and its relations to the state. The donation is \$25 per person, rsvp by October 10, 415 431-2600 or 415 753-3075.

THE CRITICAL STATE OF PARKING

To date, we have been fortunate when it came to parking. For one, San Francisco Toyota, which rented the parking lot behind the Cathedral, along Stevenson Street, used to permit us to use their lot on a space-available basis, at no cost. For another, we were able to park cars in the Armory, located at 14th and Mission Streets, during the Food Festival.

When San Francisco Toyota vacated, about a year ago, S & C Ford, which owns the lot, continued to permit us to park in the lot, but for a \$600 per diem charge. Therefore, we were able to accommodate about 120 additional cars. (Our own lot accommodates about 70 cars.) Several months ago, however, S & C informed us they are using their lot for their own purposes; therefore, the lot is no longer available to us. This leaves us with only our own lot for parking. Undoubtedly, this limited parking places limitations on the number and the size of events we can hold in our facility. We can no longer hold two events simultaneously. We must also limit the size of the event we hold, whether it be in our

chapel, the classrooms, or in the fellowship hall. We must, among other things, hold to a two-hour time lapse when scheduling sacraments, both to enable those leaving the earlier sacrament to leave and to permit those coming for the next sacrament to park their cars.

At the same time, we are exploring other parking venues. For the Festival, for example, we were able to use the armory for parking. (Thanks to California Parking, who obtained the armory for us, and who did a superb job of valeting for those three days.) However, who knows about next year? And what are we going to do for large events, like the upcoming IOCC event in November and the Crab Feed in January.) In any case, we are generally agreed that, in order to proceed with building anything in Phase II, we have to be able to park a minimum of 150 cars on site. This means three levels of parking below grade, if we build a church on what is now the parking lot, or three levels of below grade/above grade parking, if we elect to reconfigure the chapel. Meanwhile, we are also looking into acquiring contiguous parcels.

Until the parking situation is resolved, and it may take several years before it is resolved, we must ask for our parishioners' assistance and cooperation, including the utilization of car pooling, and parking within the white lines. If you are the first to park in the tandem parking places, pull all the way in. And, if you are the second to park in the tandem parking places, leave your key with the attendant or, at the very least, be conscious about moving your car as soon as church lets out, so as to permit the person in front of you the opportunity to pull out. Being sensitive to one another's needs will be very much appreciated by all.

SOIL TESTING RESULTS IN: WHAT NEXT?

Aldine / Globe Soil Engineers is the firm which the Cathedral has engaged, at a cost of \$3,800, to conduct the soils analysis and to prepare a Soil/Geotechnical Report for Phase II options, including laboratory testing to assess engineering and mechanical properties of soil samples, geotechnical engineering design guidelines for

appropriate foundation and retaining wall types and depths, and recommendations for driveway and garage/parking designs. The soils report, in other words, will dictate what kind of a structure we can build on the parking lot and how the architects should design that structure. Well, the soils analysis report is in. One copy has been prepared for the architects; another has been prepared for the Cathedral. Simply put, we can build the kind of structure envisioned in the model, that is, a church with below-grade parking. Currently, the architects are analyzing the costs for the building.

Meanwhile, the Parish Council will consider the report at its meeting of October 15, and will formulate plans to continue the Phase II project. This project, along with stewardship, will become the focus of our Parish Council and, in turn, of our parish, for the immediate future.

PHILOPTOCHOS FALL CONFERENCE

The annual Metropolis Philoptochos Conference, which is mandatory for chapter presidents and treasurers, is being held at St. Nicholas Ranch Conference & Retreat Center Friday, October 24th, Saturday, October 25th, and Sunday, October 26th for Divine Liturgy and breakfast. The conference is open to all Philoptochos members. The schedule, in addition to regular conference meetings, includes forums for open discussion. Please notify the Metropolis Philoptochos office at 415/431-2600 if you will be attending. They will provide you with Conference Registration forms. Registration fee is \$140.00.

IOCC

Supporting IOCC through a workplace giving campaign helps to buy nutritious lunches for school children, rebuild homes for refugees, and provide job training for widowed moms. For just pennies a day, your pledge to IOCC through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) or United Way can make a real difference for children and families affected by poverty, war and natural disasters. Use

Workplace Giving Code #0348
or write to: International Orthodox Christian Charities, PO Box 630225, Baltimore, MD 21263-0225, or email at www.iocc.org

FOCUS ON YOUTH

THE JOY OF HALLOWEEN

On Sunday, November 2, 2003, JOY (Junior Orthodox Youth) will hold its annual Halloween costume party for the children of the Annunciation Cathedral. Parents are encouraged to bring their children in costume for the event, which will be held at the Cathedral at 5 p.m. As in past years, we will have games, crafts, dinner, treats, and lots and lots of fun. Once again, your assistance is needed to help supervise the games and crafts and to help with dinner prep. Please contact **Denise Yeilding** at 415 585-5883. If you cannot help, but would like to come and bring your children anyway, please let Denise know, by calling her at the above number, so that we have enough food and crafts for all the children. Also, parents need to remain for the duration of the program. This is not a drop-off event, and we cannot assume responsibility for your children. Thank you for your assistance and for your understanding.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School at the Annunciation Cathedral kicked off the beginning of the school year (Sunday, September 7) with a record number of children enrolling in classes and a special luncheon honoring **Effie and Andy Vellis** for their 40 plus years of service to the community. **Louise Vorris** was also honored for her 25 plus years of service. While most children have already registered, we are still accepting reservations for those who have not. Simply bring them up to the Sunday School classrooms by 10:30 a.m. and register them in the appropriate class (younger children on the chapel side, older children on the Valencia Street side).

This year, each parent was

given an information packet outlining the first semester calendar of events and attendance/discipline procedures. If you did not receive your packet, please see your child's Sunday School teacher and a packet will be given to you. Our first event for the year (new to us) will take place in connection with Halloween. We are asking the children to obtain eyeglasses, no longer being used, from relatives or friends, and bring the eyeglasses to Sunday School with them on Sunday, November 2. These eyeglasses will be distributed to the needy. Imagine, if every child were to bring a pair, we would have 125 pair of glasses to give to those who cannot afford to buy glasses for themselves. What a wonderful thing, to help with someone's eyesight!

This year, Sunday School is placing a special emphasis on the training and conduct of our altar boys. All boys in grade 5 and older are eligible to serve in the altar. If you have a child in this age category, encourage him to serve the church in this way. Two altar boy training sessions will be held, one on November 2 and one on November 9, beginning at 10:15 a.m. A November/December altar boy schedule will appear in next month's *Herald*.

Let us also give thought to participating in the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, which will be held in March, 2004. Topics are posted on the Archdiocese web site, www.goarch.org.

YOUR CHILDREN'S TEACHERS

We thought you would like to know who the dedicated women and men are who make up the staff of our Sunday School. They are as follows:

Principal: Denise Yeilding

E mail: dyeilding@yahoo.com

Pre-k: Tessie Obester

E mail: tcobester@aol.com

Helen Woldemicael

E mail: Hopitol@aol.com

Kindergarten: Nikos Stathopoulos

E mail: lemoniko@aol.com

Katie Estratis

Felicia Giouzelis

E mail: Fstangzo@prodigy.net

First Grade: Effie Vellis

Paula Kitses

Elizabeth Yisak

Second Grade: Elaine Makras

Nick Ramos

3rd/4th: Vivian Giourousis

vivg@sbcglobal.net

Chrisoula Stratoudakis

Alexandra Kallas

5th/6th: Maria Allen

ossi38@yahoo.com

Athena (Tina) Kontonis

7th/8th: Caroline Pappajohn

Mary Tonas

Annette Chiappari

annette.chiappari@FLYSFO.com

High School:

taught by Fr. Stephen Kyriacou

Substitutes: Florika Bozionelos

Louise Vorris

ATHLETIC AWARDS DINNER

Our annual Athletic Awards Dinner will take place in the Korinthias Center on Wednesday, October 29. We take this opportunity to invite all members of the Annunciation Cathedral to this event. The purpose of this dinner is not only to honor our youth and young adults for their athletic prowess, but to also promote fellowship throughout our church. Admission is free. Appetizer will be offered at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner, promptly, at 7 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact **Mike Canellos** at 415 864-8815. In any case, please call Mike by Monday, October 27 and indicate your attendance, so that we make sure we

have enough food for everyone.

Mike will even reserve seating for you, upon request.

Parents, Friends, Family, and Players, please join us for an evening of honoring our youth for their outstanding athletic achievements and registering for the 2004 season. Registration will follow the awards ceremonies, which will begin at 7:30 p.m. Players, please note that, in order to play basketball for the church, you must also participate in the religious education program of the church. This will be explained on October 29 as well as on the registration/medical release forms which you will receive.

COACHES NEEDED

It has been said that "the future of the Annunciation is its youth." We at the Annunciation have been blessed to have a core of teachers, advisors, coaches, and other volunteers who have unselfishly dedicated themselves to this belief. However, as our youth programs continue to expand and grow, the need for more adult participation and interaction also increases. In November, we will begin practicing for the 2004 Junior Varsity Basketball season and are in great need of coaches. Currently, we have openings for both a head and an assistant coach for our girls C team (ages 8 to 10) as well as for our girls A team (ages 11 to 13). If you are interested in helping, please contact **Mike Canellos** at the Cathedral, 415 864-8815. The smiles on our children's faces will be reward enough. Thank you.

GREEK SCHOOL BEGINS: WELCOME FIORI PETRATOU

Greek School began on Wednesday, September 17, with a record number of students. Perhaps one reason is that classes are being held Wednesday rather than on Saturday, as follows: 4-6 p.m. for beginners and intermediate students, 6-8 p.m. for adults.

In addition to **Demetra Armenakis**, classes are being taught by **Fiori Petratou**, a native of Greece, and a resident of Pittsburg, California. Fiori travels to San Francisco for the express purpose of teaching in our afternoon school. She has been very well received by both the children as well as the adults.

Because our classrooms are being leased to the San Francisco Waldorf High School, which uses them until 6 p.m., the 4-6 p.m. classes are being held in the conference room as well as in the conference room vestibule. The adult classes are being held in classroom number 3. The classroom are located on the second level, on the Valencia Street side of the building. Because of our space and other limitations, children must be second grade students, at the very least.

The tuition, which helps defray some of the costs of providing teaching staff and materials, is \$200 for the first child, and \$150 for each of the other children of the same family. The adult tuition is \$200 per semester. For further information, please contact, **Demetra Armenakis**, at 415 876-0536. If you wish to speak with **Fiori Petratou**, she may be reached at 925 427-4136.

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BUILDING UP THE HOUSE: SEMINAR FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS

A seminar for religious educators of our Metropolis will take place October 3-5, 2003, at the St. Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center. The keynote presentation, "Bring Faith to Life, Life to Faith," will be offered by **Dr. Anton Vrame**, Director of the PAOI (Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute), Berkeley, CA. The cost for the entire weekend, including 2 nights lodging, all meals and workshop materials, is \$145. (about half this amount for a one-night's stay). For more information, please call **Fr. Paul Schroeder**, Director of St. Nicholas Ranch, at 449 338-2103 or **Eve Tibbs**, the Metropolis Religious Education Chair, at 714 692-3325.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Thursday, October 2, and every Thursday thereafter, except for Thanksgiving, until December 11, Father Gregory will conduct a Bible Study in the second floor conference room, beginning at 7 p.m. The Bible Study is open to all.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Sunday, September 28, and every Sunday thereafter, Marina Taylor will conduct a Bible Study (for the most part, in Greek) in the second floor conference room. The Bible Study is open to all.

ΝΕΑ ΤΟΥ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΣΜΟΥ

ΦΕΣΤΙΒΑΛ 2003

Το εφετινό μας φεστιβάλ θα μείνει στη μνήμη μας σαν ένα από τα πιο καλά οργανωμένα και επιτυχημένα. Όχι μόνον από απόψεως χρηματικής ενίσχυσης, αλλά και από κάθε άλλη άποψη. Δεν είχαμε, κατά τα φαινόμενα, τόσον κόσμο όσον είχαμε πέρυσι. Ίσως λόγω του καιρού. Ίσως λόγω έλλειψης διαφήμισης. Και όμως, ακούσαμε συνέχεια κατά τη διάρκεια των τριών εκείνων ημερών-- 19, 20 και 21 Σεπτεμβρίου-- "το καλύτερο φαγητό... το πιο ωραίο περιβάλλον, κλπ."

Στις 23 Οκτωβρίου, ημέρα Πέμπτη, και ώρα 6, ορεκτικά, 7, φαγητό, θα δοθεί δείπνο σ' όλους όσοι εργάστηκαν για το εφετινό φεστιβάλ. Ελάτε, ώστε να σας πούμε και από κοντά το ευχαριστώ, ως και το και του χρόνου.

ΣΤΟ ΚΑΛΟ, ΔΗΜΗΤΡΗ

Την ημέρα μετά το φεστιβάλ ανεχώρησε ο επί του φεστιβάλ, πρόεδρος του Κοινοτικού Συμβουλίου, και κυβερνήτης της οργάνωσης Αχέπα, μεταξύ άλλων, ο Δημήτρης Δαριώτης, για να αναλάβει νέα καθήκοντα στο γραφείο διοίκησης πολυκατοικιών που επιβλέπει η οργάνωση Αχέπα. Τα γραφεία αυτά βρίσκονται στην Ινδιανούπολη της Ινδιάνας. Ευχαριστούμε τον Δημήτρη για τις τόσες υπηρεσίες που προσέφερε στην ομογένεια και προπαντός στον Καθεδρικό μας Ναό και του ευχόμαστε τα βέλτιστα.

ΕΡΧΕΤΑΙ Ο ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΟΣ

Ο Αρχιεπίσκοπος Δημήτριος επισκέπτεται τον Καθεδρικό μας Ναό για πρώτη φορά την Κυριακή 23 Νοεμβρίου, όπου θα είναι κύριος ομιλητής στο δείπνο που προσφέρει η οργάνωση Διεθνής Ορθόδοξη Χριστιανική Φιλανθρωπία. Σε άλλο μέρος του παρόντος δελτίου μπορείτε να βρήτε ειδική αγγελία και απόκομμα, το οποίο μπορείτε να συμπληρώσετε και αποστείλετε, σημειώνοντας τη συμμετοχή σας στο δείπνο.

ΚΑΤΗΧΗΤΙΚΑ ΝΕΑ

Στο Κατηχητικό μας Σχολείο εφέτος γράφτηκαν πάνω από 125 παιδιά, ένδειξη του γεγονότος ότι η Κοινότητα του Ευαγγελισμού όλο και πληθύνεται. Ευχαριστούμε επίσης τους δασκάλους οι οποίοι προσφέρουν τις υπηρεσίες τους, διδάσκοντας τα παιδιά μας. Μαζί, δάσκαλοι και παιδιά, οργάνωσαν το ωραίο τιμητικό γεύμα στις 7 Σεπτεμβρίου, που άφησε καθαρό κέρδος των περίπου 5.000 δολλ. στο ταμείο οικοδομής (δεύτερη φάση).

ΤΟ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΜΑΣ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ

Το Ελληνικό μας Σχολείο άρχισε την Τετάρτη, 17 Σεπτεμβρίου, με συμμετοχή πολλών παιδιών. Ίσως επειδή τα μαθήματα τώρα γίνονται κάθε Τετάρτη, 4-6 μ.μ. αντί τα Σάββατα. Ίσως επειδή έχουμε καινούργια δασκαλά, την Φιόρη Πετράτου. Η κ. Πετράτου διδάσκει επίσης στο Ελληνικό Σχολείο της Κοινότητας του Αγ. Δημητρίου, Κόνκορντ. Μαζί με την Δήμητρα Αρμενάκη,

θα διδάσκει παιδιά ηλικίας δημοτικού (δευτέρας δημοτικού και πάνω), που βρίσκονται σε δύο επίπεδα. Τα μαθήματα αυτά, όπως ελέγχθη, θα γίνονται 4-6 το απόγευμα. Από τις 6-8 μ.μ. θα διδάσκει ενήλικους που επιθυμούν να μάθουν ελληνικά. Η πληρωμή είναι \$200 για το έτος για κάθε παιδί (\$150 για δεύτερο παιδί της ίδιας οικογένειας), και \$200 κάθε εξάμηνο για ενήλικους. Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες, τηλεφωνείτε στην Φιόρη, στο 925 427-4136 ή στην Δήμητρα, στο 415 876-0536.

ΒΙΒΛΙΚΗ ΜΕΛΕΤΗ ΚΑΘΕ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ

Όπως ανακοινώσαμε στο εβδομαδιαίο δελτίο, ο Πατέρας Γρηγόριος προσφέρει μάθημα βιβλικής μελέτης κάθε Πέμπτη (εκτός από την Ημέρα των Ευχαριστιών), μέχρι τις 11 Δεκεμβρίου. Το μάθημα αυτό θα γίνεται στα αγγλικά, 7-8:30 μ.μ.

ΒΙΒΛΙΚΗ ΜΕΛΕΤΗ ΚΑΘΕ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ

Όπως επίσης ανακοινώσαμε στο εβδομαδιαίο δελτίο, η Μαρίνα Τέϋλντ προσφέρει μάθημα βιβλικής μελέτης κάθε Κυριακή (μετά από την Θεία Λειτουργία). Το μάθημα αυτό θα γίνεται κυρίως στα ελληνικά, 12:30-1:30 μ.μ.

ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΕΛΕΥΣΗ ΤΩΝ ΜΕΛΩΝ ΤΟΥ ΚΑΘΕΔΡΙΚΟΥ ΝΑΟΥ

Η δεύτερη Γενική Συνέλευση των μελών του Καθεδρικού Ναού θα λάβει χώραν στην αίθουσα συνεδριάσεων του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού την Τετάρτη, 19 Νοεμβρίου, 7-8 μ.μ. Εκτός από την προσευχή, και την εκλογή του προέδρου της Συνελεύσεως, θέματα συζητήσεως θα είναι τα πρακτικά της Συνελεύσεως της 21ης Μαΐου, απολογισμός ταμεία, αναφορά Ονομαστικής Επιτροπής-Εφορευτικής Επιτροπής για τις Εκλογές του Κοινοτικού Συμβουλίου, η Δεύτερη Φάση της Ανοικοδομήσεως, παλαιά θέματα και καινούργια θέματα.

Υπενθυμίζεσθε ότι, σύμφωνα με το 7ο άρθρο, 4ο τμήμα των Ομοιομόρφων Κανονισμών της Αρχιεπισκοπής, η Γενική Συνέλευσις απαρτίζεται από μέλη της Κοινότητας που έχουν εκπληρώσει τις οικονομικές τους υποχρεώσεις στην Κοινότητα, δηλαδή είναι ενεργά μέλη της Κοινότητας και είναι εν τάξει με την Ορθόδοξη Εκκλησία. Αναμένεται ότι η Γενική αυτή Συνέλευση θα κρατήσει όχι παρα πάνω από μian ώρα.

ΚΛΗΡΙΚΟ-ΛΑΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΕΛΕΥΣΗ ΤΗΣ Ι. ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗΣ

Ο Αρχιεπίσκοπος Δημήτριος ανακοίνωσε πρόσφατα ότι η Κληρικο-Λαϊκή Συνέλευση της Ιεράς μας Αρχιεπισκοπής θα συνέλθει στην Νέαν Υόρκη 25-29 Ιουλίου, 2004, με θέμα: κτίζοντας κοινότητες πίστεως και αγάπης. Η Γενική Συνέλευση των μελών του Καθεδρικού Ναού θα εκλέξει εκπροσώπους στην πρώτη συνέλευση που θα γίνει κατά την άνοιξη του 2004. Το ίδιο θα κάμει και η Φιλόπρωτος Αδελφότητα του Καθεδρικού Ναού εφ' όσον θα συνεδριάσει, τον ίδιο καιρό, και η Εθνική Φιλόπρωτος της Ιεράς μας Αρχιεπισκοπής.

ANNUNCIATION
CATHEDRAL
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Greek School - 4-6pm - Children 6-8 - Adults	7-Bible Study - Fr. Gregory 7-Sunday School Staff Meeting		
9:00 am - Orthros 10:30 - Liturgy - Sunday School 12 - Coffee Hour 12:30 - Greek Bible Study	5	6:30 - Philoptochos. Meeting 7- Festival Wrap-up Meeting 6 - 9:30 - Dance Practice	Greek School - 4-6pm - Children 6-8 - Adults 7 - GOYA	7-Bible Study - Fr. Gregory		
9:00 am - Orthros 10:30 - Liturgy - Sunday School 12 - Coffee Hour 12:30 - Greek Bible Study	12	6 - 9:30 - Dance Practice 7 - Nominating Committee Meeting 6-10 - Referees Meeting	Greek School - 4-6pm - Children 6-8 - Adults 7 - Parish Council Meeting	7-Bible Study - Fr. Gregory		4 - 7 - Champagne Reception - BYZANTINE ICONOGRAPHY honoring JAROSLAV PELIKAN
9:00 am - Orthros 10:30 - Liturgy - Sunday School 12 - Coffee Hour 12:30 - Greek Bible Study	19	6 - 9:30 - Dance Practice	Greek School - 4-6pm - Children 6-8 - Adults	Festival Volunteers Appreciation Dinner 6-Cocktails 7-Dinner 7-Bible Study - Fr. Gregory		
9:00 am - Orthros 10:30 - Liturgy - Sunday School 12 - Coffee Hour 12:30 - Greek Bible Study	26	6 - 9:30 - Dance Practice	Greek School - 4-6pm - Children 6-8 - Adults 6:30 - Athletic Awards Dinner	7-Bible Study - Fr. Gregory		

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The Sunday School Honorees, Effie Vellis and Louise Vorrises, and their husbands, Andy and Jim

Fathers Gregory and Stephen with Louise Vorrises, Denise Yeilding and Jim Dariotes.



The dining room look throughout the Greek Festival

SPECIAL SCREENING **"THE PIONEERS: 1900-1942"**

The Hellenic American Professional Society of No. Calif, together with SF State University Modern Greek Studies Foundation are proud to announce the screening of "The Greeks of Southern California - Through the Century: The Pioneers 1900-1942" on Sunday, November 16, 2003 at the Annunciation Cathedral at 3:00 pm, with a reception to follow the showing. Admission is

\$10.00 to assist in defraying expenses.

The film premiered at 20th Century Fox and highlights the achievements and traditions of the Greek community. Hosted and narrated by Olympia Dukakis along with John Kapelos, it is the story of all Greeks that came to America seeking a better life.

The documentary was produced by the Greek Heritage Society of Southern California (GHS).

For further information call George Mattis at (415)566-4308 or Modern Greek Studies at (415)338-1892.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/8/03

Disco Fever

11/9/03

Thanksgiving Luncheon
to honor Senior Citizens

11/16/03

HAPS Special Screening
"Pioneers 1900-1942"

11/19/03

2nd Parish Assembly

11/23/03

IOCC Dinner/Silent Auction

12/27/03

Holiday Ball

1/11/04

Vasilopeta

1/23/04

Philoptochos Crab Feed

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## FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS -

How about Dinner together

on

October 23rd?

Korinthias Center

Cocktails - 6pm

Dinner - 7pm

Fondly thought of as a relaxing rehash night -  
good for some laughs and maybe even a few tears!

See You There!

## ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL

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